

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS COUNCIL OF CLARK COUNTY

### MARCH 8, 2004 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Doug Ballou at 7 p.m. Those in attendance were: Doug Ballou, Chairman; Robyn Kim, Brush Prairie; Don Wastler, interested citizen; Holly Gaya, CC Neighborhood Information and Outreach; Dick Durland, Sherwood Hills; Bud Van Cleve, NE Hazel Dell; Art Stubbs, Green Meadows; George Vartanian, Fairgrounds; Bridget Schwarz, Friends of Clark County; Susan Gilbert, Enterprise/Paradise Point; William Moyer, Pleasant Highlands; Dale Miller, C-Tran; John Kendall, West Hazel Dell; Lee Wells, Ridgefield Junction.

#### Announcements by Chairman Doug Ballou:

1. NUSA applications deadline is March 15. Six representatives are on the review committee, including Holly, Susan Gilbert, and Doug Ballou.
2. SAMMY awards nominations are due by March 26, 2004.
3. Author Dayton Duncan will be in Vancouver on March 30 from 6-7 to talk about Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery at the George C. Marshall House.
4. A staff report and decision on Waterleaf PUD regarding modification to stormwater facilities was sent to NACCC.
5. Community Block Grants.
6. Clark County Sheriff has adopted a safe firearms ordinance which may be widely adopted throughout the country.
7. There is an opening on the solid waste advisory committee, anyone interested?
8. Fishing Kids event is April 17 – a big event in the Northwest.
9. Bud VanCleve had a conversation with Commissioner Morris concerning Jim Moeller's introduction of legislation that will make it easier for Vancouver to incorporate and annex parts of Clark County. The strength is that the UGB is called "Vancouver" UGB but city does not control it. Suggestion is we send a letter to change the definition to "Clark County UGB". Bud wants to have a meeting with Doug and Commissioner Morris and then approach the community.

#### DALE MILLER – ENGINEER, C-TRAN

Mr. Miller reported on the 20-year transit development plan that has been drawn up by the C-TRAN Board of Directors following significant public involvement and input. He explained both Alternative #1 with no sales tax increase and a reduction in service which would include no service to downtown Portland; and alternative #2 with a 0.3% sales tax increase which would increase frequency of service as well as direct bus service to downtown Portland with premium fare as well as new facilities. These alternatives will be submitted in a staff report and Board Resolution at the next Board meeting looking for a September ballot measure. In a comment about Park and Ride services, Mr. Miller stated that they were expensive and C-Tran is trying to see if they can get lease agreements from some of the big box stores to lease some of their remote parking places. There is some optimism about a sales tax increase as some people would be willing to pay to get others off the road during peak travel times.

LEE WELLS – Ridgefield Junction Neighborhood Association – Mr. Wells has asked that his presentation along with Brent Grening of the Port of Ridgefield be postponed until our April meeting as Mr. Grening was unable to attend.

BRIDGET SCHWARZ AND DOUG BALLOU gave a report on the Transportation Priorities Project. Identity Clark County spearheaded the TPP project, but it fell short of identifying which projects and how would these be funded. Forty meetings were held and 500 individuals were polled to get their input for TPP. TPP II was born with the purpose of educating the public and receiving feedback on funding and projects. Now it is time for the general public to voice their opinions. TPP II has produced a brochure with a survey in the back to get your opinion of what your transportation needs and desires are. The brochure and survey may be obtained through Suzanne Chandler, Coordinator (360) 823-6107. Please also check out their website for information at [www.tpii.com](http://www.tpii.com). Under consideration are three levels: Level 1 is present funding level with 74 projects that can be completed, mostly safety and maintenance; 2<sup>nd</sup> level is with a moderate revenue increase would fund 160 projects including regional improvements to state highways, local major roadways, and C-TRAN; 3<sup>rd</sup> level would be a significant revenue increase which would meet the needs of 100% of projected population growth. Bridget urged us to bring the survey to our association meetings and fill one out ourselves.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Susan Gilbert, Enterprise/Paradise Point announced a joint neighborhood association meeting with the East Fork Rural Hills Association on March 24, 7 p.m. at the La Center Community Center. The two items on the agenda will be the update on their positions on the Cowlitz fee-to-trust application and development plans and the Storedahl proposed expansion of mining activities on the East Fork.

Bridget Schwarz, Friends of Clark County announced that based on the level of service and the number of trips, the moratorium on Salmon Creek development will kick in again. There will be a hearing on April 22<sup>nd</sup> on the amphitheatre traffic revision plan. Traffic will be re-routed through neighborhoods. Bridget and George Vartanian will get to all of us information that will be helpful in testifying at the hearing. The new plan will definitely affect those neighborhoods from 134<sup>th</sup> Street all the way up to 269<sup>th</sup> Street.

Art Stubbs, Green Meadows announced two new subdivisions going in on 63<sup>rd</sup> Street. He also had a meeting with Kevin Pridemore regarding the formation of a volunteer code enforcement group.

Bud Van Cleve, NE Hazel Dell received a letter about Clark County's new "Hot Plat and Hot Site" location on their web. Scroll down to engineering and go from there. The site takes you to residential subdivisions where you can track their development. The "Hot Site" tracks industrial and commercial developments.

Bud also recounted an incident with the county where the association asked for a road from 98<sup>th</sup> to 99<sup>th</sup> street to alleviate the congestion in a subdivision. County said they couldn't do it but a compromise was reached and the county agreed to widen the size of the main existing roadway from 28 feet to 32 feet which gave the fire department and school buses room to maneuver. Although not a usual occurrence, Bud pointed out that compromises can be reached to make everyone happy.

Dick Durland, Sherwood Hills announced that he is on the county website advisory board. Any and all gripes should be sent to him as well as kudos! May 8 is chipper day.

Robyn Kim, Greater Brush Prairie announced that their newsletter was put together by the GATE Kids which is an organization for the developmentally disabled. Chipper day is April 17. No answer yet to the draft EIS on Lakeside.

Bill Moyer, Pleasant Highlands announced their annual meeting is April 22 and they are looking forward to their expanding membership due to boundary changes. They are also looking into land use for urban holding as there are landowners who do not want their land locked up and not be able to develop.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Gilbert, Secretary

Review and Approved by Doug Ballou, Chairman 3/16/04